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Frosh To Observe Rat Day Wednesday

A tradition will be continued and changed at the same time when Rat Day is observed on the Winthrop Campus next Wednesday.

A SGA committee composed of Deane Rast Risher, Barbara Pauling, Ernestine Player, Jean Kirby, Pat Pennell, and Mary Ann Long have presented the agenda for Rat Day as follows:

Rats must attend all meals on Rat Day and serve upperclassmen besides doing something special for the table without spending money. At breakfast, freshmen will sit at special tables in the Dining Hall. At each place, they will find the names of several upperclassmen. During the day, they must contact these girls, find out all kinds of important facts about them (such as hometown, major, interests, how many in family, favorite foods, etc.) and turn them in when they come to the athletic field.

All freshmen will begin the noonday meal by singing their rat song. After this, freshmen must be as quiet as a mouse.

Rats, after four o'clock will be attired with no lipstick, a plaid shirt and trousers, a skirt (navy or white) with the pants legs showing, colored socks, a stuffed tail, a stocking on their hands with rat ears, and a sign on their backs with their names on it. In the rat tail must be the answers to the following questions: "Why did you come to Winthrop?" "Why do you like Winthrop?" "What would you like to change at Winthrop?" "What do you think of upperclassmen?" This informative tail must be handed in at the conclusion of Rat Day.

Rats will report to the Athletic Field at 4 p.m. with pencil and paper. Supper will be served at 5:15 on the field.

Rats will entertain upperclassmen in the New Auditorium with a special program at 6 p.m. It will be presented by dormitories. The subjects are as follows: Freshmen— "Before College and Freshmen"; Freshmen— "Sophomores and Juniors"; McLaurin— "Seniors and Alumnus." The skit must be short and pleasing.

At 7 p.m., Rat Court will go into session.

New Senate Members Receive Oath

New senators and senators serving in new positions were given the oath of office at the Senate's monthly meeting on Thursday, Nov. 5 in Johnson Hall. Laura Jo Quinn, president of the Senate, administered the oath of office and explained the purpose of Senate to the initiates.

A previous motion concerning the opening of the back gate until 10:30 p.m. was reported on, and the back gate will remain open until 7:30 p.m. It was voted that committees be appointed to investigate the State Student Government Association, SIASG, and the National Student Association and report findings on the value of each organization.

The investigation and possible revision of the point system was one of the main topics under discussion. It was suggested that club membership be considered as a possibility for carrying points, and it was also suggested that freshmen dorm house council members carry more points than house council members in upperclassmen dorms.

A recommendation was made that the stage floor in the auditorium be repaired. A committee will be appointed to investigate the possibility of improving assembly programs and to make up a list of suggestions to be presented to the administration.

Winthrop Alumnae To Address Granddaughters

Mrs. Louise Thomas Miller will address the Granddaughters' Club, Friday night, Nov. 13, at 8:30 p.m. The group will meet in the library of Johnson Hall.

Mrs. Miller, a resident of Rock Hill, conducts business tours with her father, Dr. Roy Z. Thomas, all over North America, South America, and Europe. She is former president of the Rock Hill Alumnae chapter. Mrs. Miller is also former Dean of Students at Greensboro College, and received her M.A. degree from Columbia University.

Dean Burnett will preside at the meeting. All granddaughters are urged to come promptly after supper. Refreshments will be served during the social hour after the meeting.

Annual Play Day Is Tomorrow



SPEARHEADING PLAY DAY ACTIVITIES are the Winthrop Athletic Association leaders, left to right, Mary Ann Mayfield, secretary; Betty Macfie, treasurer; Kitty Stuckey, president; Marge Howell, vice-president; and Betty Dickenson, recorder.

Library Tells On Faculty Readers

SIASG Fall Conference Meets Here

The Southern Intercollegiate Association of Student Governments will hold its Executive Workshop here, today. Its purpose is to plan the spring convention of SIASG which will be held at Florida State in April.

Attending the meeting will be the officers of SIASG: president, Polly Franklin, Mississippi University; vice-president, Judy Simpkins, Florida State University; secretary, Ann Lewis Payne, Mary Washington College; treasurer, Johnnie Thompson, Madison College; and membership committee head, Barbara Jean Griffin, Winthrop College.

A bridge party is planned for the guests Friday night.

Wednesday Night Fellowship will be given by the Town Club Organization November 12, in Johnson Hall at 8:40 p.m. This program has been postponed twice because of conflicting events.

By JOAN E. SMITH and MISS GLADYS M. SMITH
One of the greatest advantages a student enjoys is one she is probably unconscious of — the fact that her teachers read; and what they read is a no less interesting subject. This reporter learned from a library student helper that one teacher even reads his own reserve books.

All in all, the faculty is an avid lot; and Carnegie Library, never lacking in good books and good ideas, related upon this and the fact that Book Week is approaching as reasons for sending out some 87 questionnaires inquiring as to what were the titles of three books the faculty members especially enjoyed. The result is an attractive display which will be shown in the main reading room of Carnegie library the week of November 15-21.

This display reveals two interesting facts: that the interests of the faculty's reading range all the way from "I Go Gogo" to the Bible; and that they have a similarity of reading interests. Several titles appeared on the lists of a number of the faculty.

The "curious" are invited to the library to see this display of faculty favorites.

The following are titles which appeared on several faculty lists: "Gods, Graves and Scholars," by

Senior Order Plans Annual Week End

Senior Order is completing plans for Senior Order Weekend, which will be next weekend, Nov. 20, 21, and 22. The 12 members of last year's Senior Order will return.

Plans for the weekend include the formal initiation of this year's Senior Order members on Sunday, after dinner coffee on Sunday, a cake party in the Johnsonian office, and an informal bridge party at other times during the weekend. The complete schedule for the weekend will be announced next week.

The 12 Senior Order graduates have each been written personal invitations.

Ceremonies: "The Book of Job," from the Bible; "Les Misérables," by Victor Hugo; "Old Man and the Sea," by Ernest Hemingway; "Wind in the Willows," by Kenneth Grahame; "Out of my Life and Thought," by Albert Schweitzer; "The Sea Around Us," by Rachel Carson; "Caine Mutiny," (Continued on page four)

Two Hundred To Enter PE Contests

Two hundred girls, representing seven colleges in South Carolina, are expected to arrive here tomorrow for the ninth annual College Play Day, sponsored by the Winthrop Athletic Association.

Hacker Gives Education In US A Boost

Americans must hold to their three basic commitments in education — secular instead of church control, operation of public schools, and equality of educational opportunity for all citizens.

This was the opinion expressed by Dean Louis M. Hacker of the School of General Studies at Columbia University in an address to Winthrop College students Tuesday.

The progress of education in this country is emphasized when compared with that of England, the visiting lecturer said.

"We have proportionately 10 times as many students in schools and colleges in this country as they have in Britain, and an even larger proportion than that of other European countries," the former teacher in England reported.

The universal character of education in the United States is responsible for the higher productivity of labor here, Hacker said. In England and Europe generally education is for the elite. At the age of 11 pupils in the schools are sorted out into three groups: those whose schooling will stop at 15, those who will be given technical training only, and those who will continue their education in academic subjects, the American educator said.

Americans must expand their educational program in both the technical and humanistic areas, Hacker said. Then this country must send its skilled workers and its capital all over the world to help improve the lot of less fortunate countries, he proposed.

Films Shown At Spanish Club Meet

Kinsard Hall was the setting for the meeting of the Spanish Club Tuesday, Nov. 3. Films of bull-fights and Indian dances were shown for the program.

A Christmas party was planned at this meeting, and it was decided to invite the Spanish Club from Davidson College over for the party.

The activities, in which the colleges will contest for winner, are under the sponsorship of Miss Ruth Sargis and Miss Anne Upchurch of the Physical Education Department. The purpose of Play Day is to establish a friendly relationship between colleges. No points will be awarded.

Colleges participating in Play Day are Lander, Furman, Columbia College, Carolina, Limestone, Eukline, and Winthrop. The day of activities will begin at 10 a.m. and end at 4 p.m. Activities are archery, tennis, badminton, volleyball, hockey, and swimming. There will also be a modern dance demonstration, with Jean Vandell as chairman.

Coffee will be served to participants all during the day. There will also be refreshments served in the morning and in the afternoon.

A meeting of the South Carolina Women's Athletic Association will convene in Johnson Hall on Friday night. Girls wishing to attend this meeting will arrive on Friday night and spend the night on the Campus.

Members of the WAA council have made posters and placed them in various places in the dormitories and the post office hall.

Active committee heads are: registration, Betty Dickenson; dining room, Jane Buskirk; scheduling, Betty Sue Middleton; room duty, Sue Mayfield; officials and score sheets, Chickie Strasser; refreshments for Friday, Beth Parker; refreshments for Saturday, Jackie Bowles; court marking, Margaret Dwyer; and guides, Tooty Bell.

Four To Attend Alumnae Meeting

President and Mrs. Henry Slans; Miss Ruth Williams, alumnae secretary; and Miss Anne Marchall, editor of the Alumnae News, have been invited as delegates from Winthrop College to attend the North Central District Alumnae Meeting in Charlotte tomorrow.

The business meeting will be at 11 o'clock in the terrace room of the Baringer Hotel, followed by a Dutch luncheon at one o'clock.

Miss Lillian Parks of Charlotte, the district director, was president. The luncheon speaker will be Mrs. W. D. Workman, Jr., of Columbia, president of the Winthrop College Alumnae Association.

Events Of The Week

- Saturday, November 14 College Play Day SIASG meeting
- 8:00 Movie, "Tonight We Sing," College Auditorium
- Sunday, November 15 6:30 Vespers, Reverend S. S. Petrus, Johnson Hall
- Sunday, November 16 8:00 Mr. Jack Talley's recital
- Tuesday, November 17 Ed Movie, College Auditorium
- Wednesday, November 18 Rat Day
- Thursday, November 21 Senior Order Weekend



A QUEEN WAS CROWNED last Thursday night at the sophomore party in the gym. Deane Rast Risher (on throne), surrounded by her pages, reigned over the evening's festivities, where the sophomores honored their senior sisters.

Sophomore Class Completes Week Of Medieval Funfare; Deane Risher Is Chosen Queen Of Festivities At Party

By JO ANN BROWN
What would have been the reactions of King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table if they had been present last week and viewed the activities of the mighty sophomore class?

To start off the week with a bang, five true Medieval pages, complete with tunics, scurfs, and a trumpet fanfare, announced to the students and faculty the beginning of Sophomore Week. Everyone on WC's Campus glimpsed life in Medieval times as sophomores relished such characters as Prior Lawrence and Merlin.

All over the Campus were heard these words: "Will you be my fair lady?" Seniors proudly flashed their knight's colors around while sophomores were seen sporting their fair lady's scarves, rings, and pins. Senior Hall has never before been so flooded with little "surprises" such as candy, flowers, and

eloquent bits of poetry.

Go To Vespers
The knights escorted their fair ladies to vespers on Sunday night. The Rev. Robert Howarth, rector of the Episcopal Church in Gastonia, N.C., was the speaker. Holding candles and singing "O Come Emanuel," the choir progressed into the darkened chapel which was illuminated with only a light around the cross on the stage. The scripture was read by Jo Deason, after which the choir sang a special number. Following Rev. Howarth's talk, the choir recessed while the congregation joined in singing.

Proud would have been the French nation had they been able to witness the sophomores' procession into the Tuesday assembly. Announced by a trumpet fanfare, escorted their fair ladies to the royal altar. Deane, wearing a white evening dress, was well escorted by the knights of Ban-

croft. The other dormitory queens completed the court.

To begin the entertainment, a song was sung by the Sophs to their sister class with bows to each fair lady at the conclusion.

The lords presented ballads to the Queen and the jesters wittily asked the Queen many riddles, presenting the audience with many laughs. Two attired knights entranced the audience with their delightful mock-modern dance. With swords in hand they proceeded to fight in rhythmic fashion to lively background music of Rimsky-Korsakov's "Sheherazade." Immediately following the tumbling act, Merlin the Magician performed feats of magic.

On To Chaucer
Quite delightful was the satire, "Pardon This Tale," on Chaucer's "The Pardoner's Tale." Complete with signs, clever narration, and a Dragon theme, the characters masterfully displayed themselves (Continued on page 4)

the drums beat out a march tempo. Led by their two cheerleaders, the sophomores sang the French National anthem in words which gave a resume of the week's proceedings.

Ballads of old were paid tribute to on Wednesday night when the knights serenaded their ladies fair at "Ye Old Senior Hall." Though weary, the four knights from each dormitory who completed in the Medieval hand tennis tournament afternoon to decide the Queen of Sophomore Week, proudly bowed to Deane Rast Risher at the end of the serenade.

Gym Goes Medieval
Thursday evening the gym scene of the sophomore-senior party was elaborately decorated as a Medieval ball room. The knights and peasants in full costume, escorted their fair ladies to the royal altar. Deane, wearing a white evening dress, was well escorted by the knights of Ban-

What We Live By

The Johnsonian wants to ensure a reputation for accuracy, thoroughness, and fairness in covering the Winthrop college campus. You will do us a favor if you call our attention to any failure in measuring up to any of these fundamentals of good newspapering.

Casualty

By PAT SHACKLEFORD



The once dreaded day is about to arrive. It's always been looked for with a mixture of anxiety and curiosity. This year's frosh should have no anxiety for WC is becoming civilized. This year you're being given help instead of a condition spelled in much the same way, (substituting an "i" for the final "p") and sometimes referred to by the uninitiated as "hell." The class of '64 will remember that the word described to perfection their enormous rat traps, the washing of windows, the trudging around in one heel and a loafer. And did we rise early that cold November 20 morn in 1950. But don't worry about the seniors, it's the sophs who gotta watch. They remember theirs too well. Keep this in mind also—*Rat Court is still with us!*

Our welcome mat

is out to the girls from Lander, Furman, Columbia, Carolina, Lincolnton, and Erskine who will arrive to participate in the annual Play Day tomorrow. Good luck, big team!

It would be

appreciated, I'm sure by Senate and Student Government officers if the Suggestion Box in the entrance were taken seriously by suggestions. They appreciate your suggestions when well thought out and sincere, but not when petty and stupid. And remember, things have to move slowly around here sometimes.

Gone Gossiping

known to all the physical ed majors here as "Uncle George" is now paying his annual visit to Winthrop to conduct the annual square dance clinic for South Carolina high school girls and boys. He's a familiar figure to most of us and we welcome him back.

The Class

In Creative Writing taught by Mrs. S. J. McCoy has succeeded in getting the faculty and administration's curiosity up. They are writing miniatures or thumbnail sketches of well known campus characters. How in the world can you describe a person in one sentence or sentence fragment? "It can be done," says Mrs. McCoy.

We'll give you

a carton of your favorite cigarettes if you help us name our column on television programs. Come in close Saturday, Nov. 21 at noon. No late entries will be accepted. Leave your entries in the editor's pigeon hole in the Johnsonian Office. You may submit as many names as you wish—winner to be announced Saturday. Thanking. Please sign name, class, and dorm address on entry.

Everybody's thinking

about taking a holiday pretty soon and our staff is included in that "everybody." One more Johnsonian is to be put out after this one. We're then taking two weeks off—one to go on and one to recuperate on. So if you have anything important for the press that will occur immediately after Thanksgiving, let us know now.

This Week

From the President of the Student Government Association

The sophomore class this last week has proved that we can have esprit de corps. The enthusiasm displayed by this class was felt by the entire student body. If only it would sift through our barrier of complaints, petty conversations, trivial suggestions and kick-cries to use us in an effort to improve our Campus and improve ourselves as an integral part of the student body. This is the only way to be proud and confident that we're doing the best we can, and what more can anyone ask. We owe the sophomore class a knighly bow!

How many times have you jumped as though struck by a bolt of lightning and suddenly realized that many events have surrounded you that you never had recognized. It's a mighty empty, numb feeling. There are occasions like this that made men like Beazell say, "Ignorance never settles a question," and Schiller—"Against stupidity the very gods themselves contend in vain." Bug helps us out of our predicament by saying, "No army can withstand the strength of an idea whose time has come." B.J.G.

The Campus Town Hall

By ROSE ANN QUICK

How The Cut System Stands . . .

Thirteen out of 14 students interviewed this week still like the cut system which has been in effect for eight weeks. Here's what they said.

"I like it because it gives the girls more independence."—Joan Link.

"I think it's a good idea because it gives more opportunities to attend Friday and Saturday night dances at other colleges."—Joyce Mungo.

"I like the cut system, but I think the percentage of class absences that you can have before failing a course should be raised. If you get sick for a long period of time, you just can't take any cuts because you would fail a course. That's what happened to me."—Dot McDaniel.

"From what I have heard about the previous years, the cut system is better all around. It's easier on the students."—Louise Plowden, freshman.

There are lots of reasons that you might want to cut a class, but they wouldn't be important enough to try to get cuts for."—Betty Billings.

"I like it. It gives you the feeling that you have more responsibility. You know how many cuts you're grades can stand."—Betty Ruhl, sophmore.

"I like it a lot better because it makes it easier for us to go to dances at other schools. Then, too, I believe it cuts down on visits to the infirmary by making it possible to cut

classes and sleep or study."—Annie Lou Johnson.

"I think it's good to know that you can go when you want to. Just knowing that I can go home more than one weekend and cut my classes helps me a lot."—Rhonda Dorn.

"I don't like it. It hasn't been made clear to me on some points."—Mary Jean Christopher.

"Last week I went home to get my glasses changed. I had already been home twice, and if we didn't have the cut system I would have had to go the trouble of getting a leave."—Juliette Brown.

"I think so far it seems to be working very well. I particularly like the feature of cutting classes to study for a test. I don't suppose it has been going on long enough to see if overcutting is a problem."—Mary Lib Kelly.

"Before the cut system when I had a test on lit fifth period, I could not enjoy chemistry on second period. Now I can enjoy chemistry twice as much the following time."—Margaret Coats.

"I'm very much in favor of it. One reason is that it puts more of the responsibility on the student. If we can't accept that little bit of responsibility now, we sure will have a time when we get out of school."—Jane Weeks.

"Oh, I'm crazy about it because now you can cut part of a day's classes instead of waiting until after your last class to go home."—Anne Spence.

ELSEWHERE - - - - - By Katherine Lucas

Well, I'm back again to give you some more dope on our fellow collegians and events of interest from their campuses. But for my first report, let's go back a few years.

Eleven years ago Clemson College's Tiger mascot, a young tiger named Duke, was the corner of its front page: "To Hell With Tulane, Wilkie, and Hitler; That Takes Care of the Local, National, and International Situation." That's what I call freedom of the press!

Wrong Again

I must admit that the predictions in the Tiger have been pretty good, that last week, they failed to hit the call on the head when they predicted Duke to win over Navy. Although the battle ended in a scoreless tie it seems that the Middle gave Duke quite a tough time the entire game. This was the second time this season Duke had been frustrated by a savvy academy. It was also the first time in 25 games Duke had been unable to score. The Navy defense was a little too much for the Blue Devils.

That just goes to show that you shouldn't underestimate the powers of Navy!

Off Limits

The writer of "Covering The Campus," the columnist of Furman University's Herald, was informed by one of her recent victims that if her job is covering the campus, the park is off limits.

Language Lab Established

A language laboratory recently established at the University of South Carolina is providing students with a new way of mastering the idioms and idiosyncrasies of foreign tongues.

Through the use of recording devices, students hear foreign languages spoken by natives and record their own replies to queries put to them by phonograph records.

The laboratory is situated in the nation for training elementary students in the use of foreign languages. It is equipped with

five recording machines, 16 semi-sound proof booths, numerous headsets, and a growing library of commercial and locally-made transcriptions.

Glamorous Organize

The Glamorous Organize, recently with a Tulsa, Oklahoma, Texas, told us Southwestern's "Divinely Tall, Divinely Fair" young ladies have added 14 new members to the Glamourans. "The main purpose of Glamourans," says Debra, "is to promote a responsible attitude, to make the members in height, grace, poise and dignity among its members, to form closer bonds of friendship and maintain high cultural standards."

New Kinsey Report

A bulletin appearing on the front page of a recent copy of The Megaphone read as follows:

Found this morning on a chair in classroom—given freshman cap together with a printed letter, "Sex Ethics and the Kinsey Report for Ministers."

Something To Think About

The Daily Tar Heel of the University of North Carolina, in a forth recently with a suitable quote of Christopher Morley—"The evening papers print what they do and get away with it, because by afternoon the human mind is lulled asleep."

Do You Know The Answer?

A youngster examining weighty texts of UNC student asked, "Why do you have to study all this stuff just to teach kindergarten?" I bet that's one she had a tough time answering.

I would like to draw this to a close with just one final statement, and that is: if Clemson's Oscar doesn't say off, there's going to be some Winthrop girls out for the kill! We might do the traditional bar trimming ourselves.

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A New Day's Coming—For Rats

Rat Day. What does it make you think of? Clean windows, scrubbed floors, polished shoes, general plugging of the freshmen? Or if these luxurious ways of feeding your ego don't occur to you, do you groan inwardly and brace yourself for the ensuing Big Day? Does Rat Day or does it not have a purpose?

Winthrop has observed Rat Day for the past eight years. An editorial in The Johnsonian in 1946 gives the purpose of Rat Day as "... a major way of uniting the freshman class ... it should be a clean, wholesome day of fun." The writer added, "The principle of Rat Day is sound."

This year's Rat Day committee has made an earnest effort to re-examine the "principle" of Rat Day. They tried to decide whether the practice of doing dirty chores, crawling over floors, and eating while standing on chairs was the most constructive way to help accomplish the purpose of Rat Day.

The committee agreed that Rat Day should be planned to bring the freshmen closer together, to make each freshman feel more of a part of Winthrop, and to help the freshmen learn more about upperclassmen. Accord-

ingly, Rat Day was designed with these purposes in mind.

For example, to encourage class unity, the committee decided to let the freshmen work together in groups of 20 on their afternoon "assignment." Wednesday, the "assignment" will be fun and the groups will be selected alphabetically. In keeping with the goal of making freshmen a part of Winthrop, several questions which relate directly to life on the Winthrop Campus will be answered and handed in by all freshmen. The committee felt that through thinking more about Winthrop, the freshmen could be brought closer to Winthrop. In order to draw the freshmen closer to the upperclassmen, each freshman will be given several names of upperclassmen whom she must contact and secure important information about. In doing this, she will meet more of her fellow students.

In brief, these are the major purposes of this year's Rat Day, and the ways the committee has planned to accomplish their goals. They have worked to combine the purposeful and the purposeless to make Rat Day constructive as well as fun. D.R.R.

Something's In A Name

The first Winthrop students moved into the dormitory built for seniors in 1943. And after 10 years it is still known as "Senior Hall." It's about time somebody gave it a name.

It seems that the idea of the dormitory and the general conception of the type of building it should be was instigated by Dr. Phelps, former president of Winthrop. No one seems to know why the building was not christened at the opening ceremony, as is customarily done. Everyone was and still is proud of our most impressive dorm; to live in the "Grand Hotel" with its modern conveniences is one of the goals of every underclassman.

Names are usually irrelevant except for practical purposes and while "Senior Hall" does serve the purpose of identification and categorizes its inhabitants, the title itself is not a very distinctive one. All the other dormitories on Campus have been tagged with sentimentally-valued names and the reason

for dorm deserves as much. And neither does the new auditorium and conservatory have a name. This sometimes offers confusion in trying to differentiate between the auditorium located in the administration building and the newly built, large one.

The Board of Trustees is the group that decides upon the names for Campus buildings, which have generally been limited to former presidents, trustees and donors.

The purpose of this editorial is not to suggest a person for whom any building should be named but merely to bring attention to the fact that they are names and that they should be added to the dignity of the buildings if they bore individual and appropriate titles.

And, although (as mentioned above) the Board of Trustees does have the final vote, in all probability it would not be completely immune to suggestion if there is any student opinion on the matter. F.C.

JEST IN PASSING - - - - - By Nancy Brock

Let me begin by saying that I have nothing against the freshmen; I hope their class will excuse me for beginning my column with another experience of one of their number. Actually, if we didn't have freshmen our Campus would be extremely dull at times. As a sophomore advisor walked out of the dining room one morning, she met one of her freshmen, who was all smiles about something. The sophomore surveyed her advisee, she noticed that the freshman was wearing a coat, below which hung a piece of clothing referred to as "pajamas." Next the sophomore noticed that something which was a brilliant red shown above the coat collar. And to make her outfit complete, the freshman had on a kerchief with several curlers hanging down on the side. "Hey, guess what?" said the freshman. "I've been nominated for the uniform committee!"

With mid-semester looming over us, we can all appreciate this parody on the poem, "True."

I think that I shall never see
A grade as lovely as a B.
A B whose soft and rounded curves
Are meant to smooth and please the nerve.
It's made by foods like ice,
And only Etanaka, methinks,
Could make a B.

A farmer, when asked if college had affected his son, gave this reply:

"Well, he's still good at the plow, but his language has changed some. It use to be 'When Be' and 'How and Get up! Now when he comes to the end of the row he says, 'Hall, Rebecca! Pivot and Proceed!'"

This bit of news from the conversation between two Winthrop students:

"Did it make you nervous to ask your dad for money?"

"No, I was calm—and collected."

Mom: "Did you eat those cakes I had in the pantry?"

Daughter: "No, Mom. I didn't touch one."

Mom: "Well, there's only one left."

Daughter: "That's the one I didn't touch."

Allie: "I wonder why there are so many more auto wrecks than train wrecks?"

Bernard: "Did you ever hear of a fireman bugging the engineer?"

The following has been given as an illustration of nonsense:

Nonsense—An elephant leaning over a cliff with his tail wrapped around a daisy.

The Spotlight

By
EUD SIMPSON
Department
Editor

This week we take a glance at the many activities of the Physical Education Department. Always "on the go," members of the faculty of the Physical Education Department do everything from teaching their regular classes to managing cat shows. Guess who does the latter!

Miss Julia Post, head of the PE Department, was in charge of the program for National Cat Week at the Nature Museum last week. Saturday morning there was a puppet show, and in the afternoon was the cat show. Miss Post had two Winthropites, Leigh Austin and Sammie Brown, at the Museum helping with the afternoon cat show.

Naturally Miss Post was interested in National Cat Week. She has two very unusual cats of her own, Peter and Peppur. We hear that they appeared in Faculty Stunt Night.

Last week there was an exhibit in the library commemorating Cat Week. In place of books was one of Miss Post's model black cats.

Winthrop witnessed a very successful Sigma Gamma Nu Circus Saturday. Approximately \$70, part of which will go into a scholarship fund, was cleared from the circus.

There were several amusing incidents reported in connection with the circus. Before the circus a grand search was put on to find the legs of the giraffe and elephants. But all this looking did no good and the elephants appeared in pink pajama legs rather than pink elephant legs. After it was all over the legs were found safely folded away in a box for safe-keeping.

In the malodorous clown act, the narrator was reading along when she got to a certain point in the narrative at which a noise was to "appear." Nothing happened so she repeated the word "noise" several times. Finally, Lenora Cooper in her little Austin appeared and a little boy said, "Cooper is the no-no; Cooper is the no-no." So, now Cooper is "The Noise."

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Graduates In Various Pursuits

Graduates from Winthrop last year in sociology are reported on by that department this week.

Miss Jussita Bryant is a visitor for the Barnwell County Department of Public Welfare. Miss Laura Elizabeth Corbett is a visitor for Horry County EPA and Miss Alma Sue Fowler is a graduate student at Peabody in Nashville, Tenn. Miss Edith Minette Graham is a visitor for Cleveland County DPW in North Carolina. Miss Virginia Lee Hanson is an investigator for Credit Corporation in Atlanta, Ga., and Miss Nancy Heerne is working in the personnel department of a mill in Albemarle, N. C.

Miss Judith Inabnit is a student at the University of Tenn. for the school of social work, and Miss Virginia Jones is a case worker for the Connie Maxwell Orphanage in Greenwood, also at the Florida State University school of social work. Miss Betty Lou Tolbert is taking a business course in Washington, D. C., and Miss Ann Moore is doing personnel work in Charlotte, N. C.

Typical events known as "Mid-semester." Boners have already started appearing in the PE tests. Miss Ruth Sturgis reports one in golf. "The father of American golf is Benjamin Franklin!"

The social recreation class is planning to start work on party favors soon. They will also trim trees for the Veterans' Hospital.

Do you know about the Fem Press? It is the official news bulletin of the Physical Education Department, and its staff is made up of PE majors. In its seventh year of publication, Fem Press is issued monthly.

One phase of activities in the department which embraces a large number of the student body is the sports clubs. They include most of the activities offered as courses and more besides. Points are earned by the student as she participates in these clubs ranging from hockey to tap dancing.

Not only are live cats Miss Post's hobbies, but she also collects and makes model cats. Having participated in the faculty ceramics class last spring, she learned to make various objects in this manner. Though she made several dogs, most of her handiwork has been with cats—dancing cats, promnading cats, even a hula cat. Part of her work was on exhibit at the Nature Museum last week.

Brains Behind Play Day



Committee heads for College Play Day are: left to right; Margie Howell, Sis Mayfield, Betty Sue Middleton, Jackie Bowles, Margaret Dysart, Betty Dickinson, Chickie Streator, and Beth Parker.

Winthrop Athletic Association First Has Play Day For High Schools, Then Colleges

By HARRIET ANN FLOYD

Play Day, Play Day, Play Day! What does it all mean? Who is playing what and where, and when? There may be only a few people who are asking all these questions, who are wondering about this thing called Play Day, and what anything so named is doing in the middle of a busy schedule of curriculum; but for those who don't know the truth about Play Day, here are the facts.

It Began With The High Schools. The first Play Day was an athletic event among high schools, during which time students from high schools all over South Carolina met at Winthrop to compete in the different sports — swimming, hockey, tennis, badminton, volleyball, ball, soft ball, archery and others. This wasn't competition for a "winner" on any prize or trophy, but just for the experience and fun of playing a favorite sport with people from other schools.

The interesting thing about this first Play Day was that it originated to replace the state track meets for girls that had been held at Winthrop. Now track for girls is a thing of the past, perhaps it will be hard to be conceived of, yet, nevertheless, was once an outstanding event among Physical Education Departments in high schools. This said that the track meets were discontinued because of the expense.

College Play Day. In 1934, '35, and '36, these state high school Play Days were held on the Winthrop Campus. In 1937, a district Play Day replaced the state event. Then in 1940, the first sports event of this kind among women's colleges was introduced. This Play Day was no different from the high school one except that the participants were students at all of the women's colleges in South Carolina.

After having Play Day a couple of years, the State Athletic Association for Women's Colleges was organized. Now, Play Day is conducted annually as a part of the meeting of the association. Winthrop Goes Co-Ed. After being organized for a couple of years, Winthrop College

sponsored a "road" Play Day, in which Clemson College was invited to participate. This Play Day, one which was deemed to be a huge success, was made up of mixed sports. Why there hasn't been a repetition of this type Play Day, no one is quite sure. There doesn't seem to be a logical explanation, yet the plausible reason would probably be that this year was the beginning of the war and "Excess" boys were not an easy matter to find. Perhaps one day, Winthrop's Athletic Association will varyiate again on this type Play Day.

Big Play Day Planned For This Year. The usual approximate number of guests that participate in Play Day is 200. In addition to the regular schedule of events this year, there will be a social hour before beginning the games, during which time the representatives from the different colleges will become acquainted. Also as an "added attraction," Mr. Gene Gowing, who leads the Square Dance Clinic, conducted at Win-

Education Class Shows South American Exhibit

Gene Gowing Comes To Campus Again

Mr. Gene Gowing, a leading authority on the history and traditions of Folk Dancing in the English-speaking nations, will visit Winthrop from Nov. 13 to Dec. 5.

Mr. Gowing is the son of a popular dance leader, and he is founder of several schools for the same purpose. Two of his schools are the summer school at Twin Mountain, New Hampshire, and the school at White Mountain, also in New Hampshire. These schools offer courses to those who wish to introduce Folk Dancing into their schools and communities.

He has spent the past 18 years in this activity, however, he has spent his life in the study of folk dancing. He has presented Folk Dance materials at leading universities, community centers, social groups, and at the hospitals and convalescent of the second World War.

Mr. Gowing has appeared in many of the show places in America. Among these are the Hamilton Room, New York City; Flamingo Hotel, Miami Beach; Waldorf Astoria, New York City; and The White House, Washington, D. C. He has danced with Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, Betty Davis, Fred Astaire, Agnes de Mille, the Governor Thomas Dewey of New York, and Fulton Oursler among many others.

During his stay at Winthrop Mr. Gowing will assist in College Play Day exercises. He will speak to the English Morris and Sword Dance club, the square dance callers class, and to the AAUP meeting on Nov. 20 on the subject of "Traditional American Dance."

By BOBBIE MEALING
In the lobby of second floor Knott Hall is an attractive exhibit of South American Products and costumes arranged by the Audio-Visual Aids in Education Class under the direction of Miss Dena Lechhead, professor of education.

This course is designed to teach all the different visual aids which contribute to more effective and better teaching. Some of these helps are movies, posters, film strips, exhibits, and field trips.

To tie in to the excursion as an educational aid, the class planned and wrote on a delightful and informative trip to the Nature Museum. While there, the class looked for the principles which would help in the organization of their exhibit.

The display was planned in relation to materials on hand. These items are Miss Goggans' and Miss Lechhead's articles which they have collected from their trips to South America.

The main divisions of the exhibit are costumes and products. Under tree products is the unique mate jar which is a type of wooden bowl with an iron strap leading from it. From these jars the Paraguayanians drink tea. There is an enamel ring and earring set from Columbia. Many leather belts, straw hats, straw pocket-books, and shoes made from pure llama hair constitute the remainder of the products. Only dried dolls from Chile, Panama, Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay, and Peru smile at the on-looker. The dolls from Cusco, Peru, are particularly interesting because they show the typical occupations of the women — spinning cloth from llama wool. Pamphlets with additional information on the principal South American countries represented leader the exhibit.

He will be the conductor of the fourth annual High School Square Dance Clinic on Dec. 2 and 3. He will also be either at a social for the members of the Square Dance Club and their guests, to be held at the Shack on Nov. 31. Mr. Gowing's visit to Winthrop is sponsored by the Physical Education Department.

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Social Eyes

By SAMMIE BOWEN
Society Editor



Charming knights of the olden days did a quick change Saturday night and became lovely young ladies in their evening dresses. Over in Johnson Hall the rooms were decorated for the dance with shields of armor and murals of medieval scenes. This climax to the sophomore week was about the most exciting event of the weekend.

Wearing a Diamond

Is Gloria Pflaum. She received the ring last Tuesday night from Ken Salpe, of Ninety Six.

Seeing Carolina's

Football game in Columbia Saturday were Ginny Swink, Ruth Shull, Faye Shumppert, Peggy Campbell, Jolietta Brown, Daphne Hardin, and Betsy Putnam.

Going to Glenos

with a deputation from the Newman Club were Mary Simmons, Ethel Mathis, Hilda Kock, Peggy Moody, Orrie Mathis, Pat Randall, and Barbara Huggins.

Visiting Elsewhere

during the weekend was Edith Byars, who went to Nashville, Tenn., to see her brother play in the Vanderbilt game. Elizabeth Glean went home with Ernestine Player, and Barbara Walsen visited Mildred Lyles. Jean Smith visited with Jean Hunt Gaudin in Laurens.

Quasars

who were entertained on Campus were Tena Hall, Jean Campbell, and Harriet Evans. Harriet Walter, Reba Rich, and Betty DeBrui had their mothers up to spend the weekend. Rachel Barry and Bea Ulmer entertained their sisters over the weekend. Gene Lucker and Vivian Camlin visited Julia Camlin, and Mary Burton and Margaret Taylor came to see Dai Burton.

Going Home

for the weekend were Sarah Murphy, Harlean Patrick, Iris Pugh, Ethel Taylor, Barbara Sharpe, Jerry Norton, Barbara McWhorter, Ann Langston, Laticia James, Nancy Green, Rosemary DeLoach, Joyce Center, Helen Reles, Mary Jane Dickson, and Kay Page.

Also Judy Doster, Kirby Mitchell, Virginia DeWitt, Jackie Huggins, Betty Jo Linder, Jose Massey, Margaret McNeil, Sarah Purser, Caroline Rawlinson, Annie Strickland, Mary Ann Skins, and Sarah King. And Myrtle Swafford, Lula Mae Blackwell, Betty Sue Middleton, Francouria Smith, Sarah Westberry, Betty Rue Floyd, Rex Newsum, Doris Oates, Doris Jean Altman, Betty Jean Cato, Jo Ann Hall, Addie Forrester, and Stacie Henry.

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The story of Sol Hurok (David Wayne) is that of a Russian immigrant who rose to fame as one of the most important impresarios in history. With his beloved wife Emma (Anne Bancroft), his life touched the lives of the great concert personalities, including that of Pavlova and the renowned basso Feodor Chaliapin (Pinza). Love interest is supplied by singers Roberto Peters and Byron Pym, who will be remembered from his role in "Where's Charley?"

George Jessel is the producer.

Sophomore Class

(Continued From Page 1)
It silent movement. Chukles were heard from the audience and the end was clearly noticed as the characters and non-singing chorus bowed to their Queen and her escort. Refreshments and dancing concluded the much enjoyed event.

To end the eventful week, the Sophomore Dance was held in Johnson Hall. The theme of the hop was "The Enchanted Knight," and was well carried out in a mural depicting two knights in combat, which was the background for the orchestra. Dormitory flags and shields and twined ivy carried out the decorative scheme. Jack Barry and his orchestra furnished the music. Serving the sophs and their dates were freshmen pages, attired in tunics which depicted the "56 Wildcat and color.

TV Programs

Sunday, November 18
6:30 Adventure (CBS)
5:00 Omnibus (CBS)
8:30 Mirror Theater
7:00 Ozzy and Harriet
7:30 Jack Benny Show (CBS)
9:00 Comedy Hour (NBC)
9:00 G. E. Theater (CBS)
9:30 Man Behind The Badge
Monday, November 18
8:30 Voice of Firestone (NBC)
9:00 I Love Lucy (CBS)
9:30 Red Buttons (CBS)
10:30 Studio One (CBS)
Tuesday, November 17
8:00 City Detective
9:30 Death Valley Days
9:30 Favorite Story
9:30 Arthur Smith (Studio)
10:00 Danger (CBS)
Wednesday, November 19
7:00 Anybody's Guess
7:15 Arthur Smith Show (Studio)
7:30 Douglas Edwards (CBS)
7:45 Perry Como (CBS)
8:00 Arthur Godfrey (CBS)
9:00 Strike It Rich (CBS)
9:30 I've Got A Secret (CBS)
Thursday, November 19
7:00 Anybody's Guess
7:15 Spin To Win (Studio)
7:30 Douglas Edwards (CBS)
8:30 I Led Three Lives
9:30 Lux Theater (CBS)
9:30 Big Town (CBS)
10:00 Meet Mr. McNulty

The dance was a successful climax to a fascinating week on the Winthrop Campus.

There is but one thing to say to the sophomore class: it was a glorious week and to them we hail the motto, "Hats off to the gold and black!"

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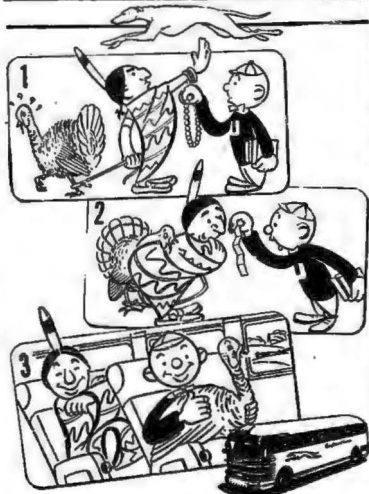


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